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SUBJECT: 18TH GC'S CONSIDERATION OF MEDIUM-TERM

PLANNING: 1977-1982, (DOCUMENT 18C/4)

SUMMARY: THIS MESSAGE REPRESENTS USDEL'S BEST JUDGMENT

AS TO PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT 18TH GENCONF

WITH RESPECT TO DOC. 18C/4. END OF SUMMARY

1. PRESENT PLAN IS FOR THE COMMISSION V (GENERAL PROGRAM MATTERS), WHICH IS COMPOSED OF ALL MEMBER STATES, TO START WITH TWO FULL DAYS OF GENERAL DEBATE OF DOCUMENT 18 C/4. FOLLOWING SUCH INTEGRAL DISCUSSION, COMMISSION V WILL APPOINT WORKING PARTY OF 20 TO 30 MEMBERS, BASED ON GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION, IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES, ETC.

2. TWELVE MEETINGS ARE FORESEEN FOR THIS WORKING GROUP WHOSE TASK WILL BE TO EXAMINE THE DOCUMENT AND DEVISE POLICY CONSIDERATIONS THAT WOULD HELP THE DG TO TRANSFORM PRESENT DRAFT MEDIUM-TERM PLAN INTO 19 C/4 AND ALSO FORM FRAMEWORK FOR DOCUMENT 20 C/5. SUCH POLICY CONSIDERATIONS MAY INCLUDE QUESTIONS LIKE:
(A) SHOULD GENERAL ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES FOR 4 PRO-
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GRAM SECTORS REMAIN SAME?; (B) IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE

ORGANIZATION'S PRESENT ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE?;
(C) LISTING PROGRAM ACTIVITIES PRIORITIES (E.G. MAB,
UNISIST, ETC.) WHICH WOULD FULFILL PROGRAM OBJECTIVES,
ETC.

3. WITH ABOVE IN VIEW, WORKING GROUP WILL PREPARE
REPORT AND DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY COMMISSION V
WHICH WILL DEVOTE TWO FULL MEETINGS FOR THIS PURPOSE.
THESE DOCUMENTS, IN TURN, WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE
PLENARY WHICH WILL "NOTE" THE REPORT BUT WILL HAVE TO
VOTE ON RESOLUTION.

4. WHILE STRONG EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO AVOID, TO
EXTENT POSSIBLE, REPETITION OF 18 C/4 DISCUSSION IN
PLENARY, IT IS EXPECTED FOR HEADS OF DELEGATIONS IN
THEIR STATEMENTS DURING GENERAL POLICY DEBATE
TO MAKE REFERENCES TO INTRODUCTIONS IN 18 C/5 AND
18 C/4 DOCUMENTS.

5. IN ORDER FOR USDEL TO PARTICIPATE MEANINGFULLY IN
DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT MATTER AT 18 GC IT IS OF UTMOST
IMPORTANCE TO EXAMINE CAREFULLY LIST OF OBJECTIVES PRO-
POSED IN 18 C/4 TO DETERMINE PRIORITIES, CRITERIA AND
CLARIFY, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, TECHNICAL, FUNCTIONAL OR
FINANCIAL CRITERIA AND INDICATORS WHICH WILL SERVE AS
BASIS FOR EVALUATION AND PREPARATION OF FUTURE C/4 AND
C/5 DOCS.

6. SINCE 18 C/4 WILL NOT BE TREATED SECTORALLY IT IS
IMPORTANT, IN ORGANIZING US DELEGATION TO 18 GC, TO
ASSURE NECESSARY AND STRONG COVERAGE FOR COMMISSION V
AND ITS WORKING GROUP DISCUSSED ABOVE.
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